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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 14, 2001 in the above-identified application. Request for reconsideration and further examination is requested.

A Request For Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is being filed in lieu of filing a Brief on Appeal pursuant to the Notice of Appeal received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 26, 2002 in the above-identified application.

An extension of time for filing a Brief on Appeal is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: